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SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELL AND  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement of December 9, 2005.

Applicants, by their undersigned representative, hereby elect the invention of Group I, Species I-a, which is drawn to a fuel cell with separators having discharge openings, and corresponds to claims 1-3.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected invention is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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